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Application No. 10/500,161-Conf. #7426		Filing Date June 25, 2004		Examiner K. L. Peng	
Art Unit 1712					
Applicant(s): Shin-ya MATSUNAGA et al.					
Invention: RUBBER COMPOSITION FOR FUEL CELL SEALS, TOP COVER GASKETS FOR HARD DISK DRIVES AND CABLE CONNECTOR SEALS, AND USES THEREOF					
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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 2006, finally rejecting claims 16-21, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.